

CONCERNING A MINISTER, SOME GIKLS, A COP, A RAID AND A PECULIAR ENDING

One of our most respectable Methodist ministers was picked up in a raid on a flat of doubtful character at 2242 Wabash av. late last night. He was locked up at the Cottage Grove av. station as an inmate of a disorderly house and bailed out.

Rev. Carl W. Hanson was the name he gave the police and 1901 N. Sawyer av. as his address. According to Mrs. Hanson, when interviewed by a reporter for The Day Book, his church is the Norwegian and Danish Methodist church at Kedzie and Cortland av.

It happened like this:

Officer Benjamin Stokes of the Cottage Grove av. station was standing on the corner of 22d and Wabash av., the old levee district, when he saw Mabel Williams hurry around the corner.

Frank Carpenter of Earlville, Ill., was standing near the girl. As she passed him she gave a little nod and Frank, who was unused to the bright lights of the great city, followed her.

Frank caught up with Mabel and they had a little business conversation. Then they hiked south on Wabash av. with Officer Stokes and his partner, Thomas Howard, hot after them.

At 2242 Wabash av. they turned in and went upstairs, the policemen following, unknown to them.

Then Officer Stokes tells this story: "We knocked on the door and our way into the flat.

"A crowd of men and women were sitting together in a room and one of the women had a kimono on."

The wagon was called and the bunch, four women and four men, were loaded in and hauled to the Cottage Grove av. station.

The Rev. Hanson at this point broke down and asked not to be arrested, but the police went through with the regular course, even when he admitted he was a minister

of the gospel.

The reverend gentleman was bailed out and, according to his wife, came home about 2 a. m. At seven he hurried out, explaining that he was in trouble, charged with disorderly conduct.

In the morals court this morning Frank Carpenter, Robert Novak, Henry Crawford, Mabel Williams, Virginia Belmont, Margaret Talbot and Gladys Phillips, the other members of the gay party lined up before Judge Heap. But no Rev. Hanson.

Officer Stokes told his story, the prosecutor asked that the judge fine all in the party except Virginia Belmont, who looked as though she had got into the place by mistake.

Carpenter told the judge that he had gone into the place to stay with the girl and she had asked him for \$3 for the privilege. So Judge Heap fined him \$2, assessed the Williams girl \$8 and let the others go, although all the girls testified that they did not know the men they were alone in the room with. This was not a sign that anything was wrong, evidently.

And the Rev. Hanson, without even appearing in the courtroom, was let go without the slightest fine being placed upon him, although authorities claim that an ex-parte hearing is an admission of guilt.

Rev. Carl Hanson, according to a statement from his home, spent the day by a local cemetery.

"I don't see anything significant about that," declared Mrs. Hanson, when interviewed.

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New York.—Passengers on United Fruit liner Almirante told how they were scared by school of whales so big they were mistaken for fleet of submarines.

Washington. — Union National bank, Monroe, La., closed. Claimed "improvident management."